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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1- 2 (previously canceled)

Claim 3 (previously amended): An acrylic elastomer composition, which comprises a butenedioic acid monoalkyl ester-copolymerized acrylic elastomer which contains 0.1-30% by mole of unreacted butenedioic acid monoalkyl ester on the basis of carboxyl groups copolymerized in the acrylic elastomer and a cross-linking agent.

Claim 4 (original): An acrylic elastomer composition according to Claim 3, wherein the cross-linking agent is a polyamine compound, and a guanidine compound, a sulphonamide compound or a tertiary amine is used as a vulcanization accelerator at the same time.

Claim 5 (currently amended): An acrylic elastomer composition according to Claim 3, wherein the cross-linking agent is a polyfunctional isocyanate compound or blocked isocyanate, and an alkali metal salt of inorganic or organic acid, and alkali metal hydroxide, a quaternary onium salt, a

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guanidine compound, a tertiary phosphine, a tertiary amine or a sulphenamide compound is used as a vulcanization accelerator at the same time.